

Appl. No. 09/699,136  
Amdt. Dated August 20, 2003  
Reply to Office action of Feb. 21, 2003



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/699,136  
Applicant : Daniel SANTI *et al.*  
Filed : Oct. 27, 2000  
Title : HETEROLOGOUS PRODUCTION OF POLYKETIDES  
  
TC/A.U. : 1652  
Examiner : Kathleen Kerr, Ph.D.  
  
Docket No. : 010025.01

Honourable Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In an Office Action mailed 21 February 2003, time for response to which was set to expire 21 May 2003, Examiner Kathleen M. Kerr, Ph.D., rejected Claims 1, 17, 24, and 26-39, all of the pending claims of the above-captioned application. Careful consideration has been given to the objections and grounds for rejection, and the following amendments, formal drawings, sequence listing, and remarks are offered in response.

The undersigned hereby states that the content of the attached sequence listing papers and the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing, submitted in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.821(c) and (e), respectively, are the same.

The Applicants submit that the accompanying drawings, sequence listing, and amendments satisfy Examiner Kerr's requests, and favorable reconsideration of the application and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested.

The Applicants hereby request a 3 month extension of time.